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Lancaster Man Sentenced for Murder of Appliance Repair Woman

A 32-year-old man was sentenced today to 55 years to life in state prison for killing a woman sent to his Lancaster home to repair a refrigerator, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Ryan Williams said Williams Franklin Hughes III was found guilty on May 29 of first-degree murder.

Today, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Carlos Chung found that the defendant was sane during the commission of the crime after a sanity court trial.

Victim Lyndi Fisher, 36, was strangled by the defendant after she arrived at his home for the appliance repair on July 14, 2017, the prosecutor said. A month prior, Fisher had repaired an appliance at Hughes' home, the prosecutor added.

Case MA071692 was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.